

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A fastening tape (10) for a hygiene item (8), ~~in particular for a baby diaper or an incontinence diaper~~, having a fastening area for permanent fastening on the hygiene item (8) and having a closing area (11) for simultaneous detachable joining to a hygiene item surface of the hygiene item (8), whereby the fastening tape (10) has a protruding section (14) between the closing area (11) and a tape end (16) ~~to be assigned adjacent~~ to the closing area, wherein the protruding section (14) has a separate grip area (24) ~~with having~~ a macroscopically structured surface (23, 33, 34) ~~with a~~ macroscopic structure.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): The fastening tape according to Claim 1, wherein the separate grip area has a structurally separate component (22; 31; 42; 54, 55; 100).

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The fastening tape according to

Claim 2, wherein the structurally separate component is a film,
preferably having a thickness of more than 100 μm , especially
~~preferably at most 600 μm .~~

Claim 4 (Previously Presented): The fastening tape according to Claim 1, wherein the grip area is designed like a film.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The fastening tape according to Claim 1, wherein the ~~structured~~ surface has embossing.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): The fastening tape according to Claim 5, wherein the embossing has a plurality of straight and/or curved lines, some of which are ~~preferably~~ joined together.

Claim 7 (Previously Presented): The fastening tape according to Claim 1, wherein the grip area is arranged on a grip edge of the protruding section.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): The fastening tape according to Claim 1, wherein the grip area is arranged with an offset to a ~~the tape edge of the protruding section end~~.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): The fastening tape

according to Claim 1, wherein the grip area is designed in strips and runs, at least in part, partially essentially according to along a grip edge and/or a the tape edge end in its shape.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): The fastening tape according to Claim 1, wherein the grip area runs in a meandering pattern.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): The fastening tape according to Claim 1, wherein the grip area is approximately the same distance from the closing area as from a the tape edge end.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): The fastening tape according to Claim 1, wherein the grip area is only on exclusively an inside of the fastening tape has a grip area.

Claim 13 (Currently Amended): The fastening tape according to Claim 1, wherein the grip area is only on an exclusively and outside of the fastening tape has a grip area.

Claim 14 (Currently Amended): The fastening tape according to Claim 1, wherein the grip area comprises a common grip area on both sides of the fastening tape have a common grip area and/or separate grip areas are provided on each side of the fastening tape.

Claim 15 (Currently Amended): The fastening tape according to Claim 1, wherein comprising two identically shaped and sized grip areas ~~are provided~~ on the two sides of the fastening tape.

Claim 16 (Currently Amended): The fastening tape according to Claim 1, wherein comprising two separate film-like grip areas having ~~different macroscopically structured surfaces with different macroscopic structures.~~

Claims 17-23 (Canceled).

Claim 24 (Previously Presented): The fastening tape according to claim 1 wherein the closing area comprises a plurality of hooks.

Claim 25 (Currently Amended): The hygiene item according to claim 1, wherein the closing area comprises a plurality of hooks and the hygiene item further comprises a frontal tape on an outside surface of the hygiene item, said frontal tape comprising a plurality of loops corresponding to the hooks, said hooks and loops forming a two component fastening system.

Claim 26 (New): A hygiene item comprising a diaper and a diaper fastening tape, the diaper comprising a diaper surface and

the diaper fastening tape comprising a fastening area for permanent fastening on the diaper, a closing area for simultaneous detachable joining to the diaper surface, and a tape end adjacent to the closing area, wherein the fastening tape has a protruding section between the closing area and the tape end and the protruding section has a separate grip area having a surface with a macroscopic structure